I am quite upset of learning the news about how NAB is protesting satellite radio (I'm writing on behalf of XM Radio) having locally oriented contents broadcasted, i.e. weather & traffic. Why is this? What harm is this to other local channels? I pay for this service and love it. I especially like the fact that if I need to find out about the weather or traffic, I don't have to guess and/or wait until the regular radio announces it. I especially love having the choice when I want to or not want to listen to a bunch of commercial chatter (which drives me crazy at certain times of the day).

One of the main reasons I am very upset about this, the next thing will be that they will be protesting about the music channels, and everything else about it. XM radio is a dream come true for me because I had satellite radio in 1995; the cable company pulled it because not enough people had it in order to pay for itself. I was depressed about it for a good 3 years. Then I found out about two other satellite companies, looked into it and their fees were outrageous—totally unaffordable. Then XM Radio came along. It is wonderful, portable, and AFFORDABLE to the average person as myself. I actually always look forward to turning on my satellite radio; I have it at home, listen to it in my car, and work by it.

I am going to keep informed about this matter and as a consumer, and I am totally against NAB trying to dictate to me what I can and cannot listen to. It always boils down to money, and that's upsetting. How is XM's part hurting the broadcasting industry? I don't understand. Therefore, I will write whoever I need to write to be heard.

Thank you for your attention to my correspondence.

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